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## **CORRECTION**

The FBI National Academy Graduation occurred on December 15, 2017. The graduation speaker was President Donald Trump. FBI Director Christopher Wray and Attorney General Jeff Sessions were in attendance at the event.

### **SUFFOLK POLICE CAPTAIN GRADUATES FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY**

SUFFOLK, VA (December 20, 2017) The City of Suffolk is proud to announce that Police Captain Alfred Chandler graduated from the 270<sup>th</sup> Session of the FBI National Academy at Quantico on December 20, 2017.

Captain Chandler joined the Suffolk Police Department in April of 1999 and graduated from the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the Chesapeake Public Safety Academy as Class President. As a Patrol Officer, he attended various specialty schools and was certified as a Crime Scene Technician, Intoxilizer Operator, Radar/Lidar Operator, Field Training Officer, and SWAT Team Member. On March 14, 2005, while assigned to the Criminal Investigations Division as a Detective, he was promoted to the rank of Master Police Officer. On December 13, 2006, he graduated from the West Point Leadership Course. On April 16, 2007, he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant where he served in Uniform Patrol and the Criminal Investigations Division as property crimes

supervisor and violent crimes supervisor. In this capacity, Chandler was honored with three Departmental commendations and a lifesaving award. On July 1, 2007, he received his Associate's Degree from Saint Leo University in Liberal Arts. He was also certified as a General Instructor, Asp Baton Instructor, and Hostage Negotiator.

On May 2, 2011, he completed his Bachelors of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice. On August 1, 2013, Chandler was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant where he served as the Uniform Patrol and Special Operations Commander. While in this capacity, he also commanded a number of ancillary units such as the Marine Patrol Unit, Search and Rescue Team, Fatal Crash Reconstruction Team, Honor Guard, and Crisis/Hostage Negotiations Team. He completed his Masters of Science Degree at Saint Leo University on June 13, 2014, in Criminal Justice Management. He was promoted to Captain on March 1, 2016 where he was assigned to the Investigations Division. Since January 1, 2017, Captain Chandler has been in command of Precinct One which is staffed by 57 sworn officers and handles 55% to 60% of citizen calls for service received by the Department.

Internationally known for its academic excellence, the National Academy program, held at the FBI Academy, offers 11 weeks of advanced investigative, management, and fitness training for selected officers having proven records as professionals within their agencies. FBI Director Christopher Wray was the principal speaker at the graduation ceremony.

Training for the program is provided by FBI Academy Instructional staff, Special Agents, and other staff members holding advanced degrees, many of whom are recognized internationally in their fields of expertise. The academy curriculum of the FBI National Academy Program was first accredited by the School of Continuing and Professional Studies, University of Virginia, in 1971. This continuing partnership of curriculum enhancement and faculty interaction merges the strengths of both

institutions and offers law enforcement personnel who successfully complete this comprehensive, professional program an opportunity to earn both undergraduate and graduate credits for their study at the FBI Academy.

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